

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **Hiroshi KAWAZOE et al.**

Art Unit: **1773**

Application Number: **10/598,086**

Examiner: **Jan M. Ludlow**

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For: **SUPPORTING UNIT FOR MICROFLUID SYSTEM**

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED

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AUGUST 18, 2011

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This Amendment is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated April 18, 2011. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and a Petition for an Extension of Time of a one month are being concurrently filed, making a response due on or before August 18, 2011.

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